

PERSONAL.

George McMann, of Piedmont, is here on business.

I. H. Bush, of Grafton, is in the city looking after business.

J. D. Michael, of Georgetown, is looking after business interests in the city to-day.

J. Fay Watson went to Terra Alta this afternoon. Mrs. Watson and little daughter have been there for some days.

W. H. Roush, the popular restaurant man, who has been confined at his home with typhoid fever, is convalescent.

A. A. McKay, of Baltimore, stopped off here to-day to spend Sunday with his friend, J. D. Strickler, the photographer.

J. B. McKay, of Washington, Pa., who has been receiving medical treatment at Cook's Hospital, was discharged to-day.

H. C. Shallcross, of Wheeling, press agent for the West Virginia State Fair Association, was a pleasant caller at our office this morning.

Frank Jolliffe, the wide awake decorator for J. M. Hartley & Son, leaves to-night for a two weeks' vacation to his home in Monongalia county.

Miss Jeannette Arnett, Mr. and Mrs. Bell and Mrs. Jas. Ridgely compose a driving party who will spend to-day the guests of friends in Mannington.

Albert Crowl, whose illness we have frequently mentioned, is not so well to-day. He was able to sit up a few days ago, but has suffered a relapse.

Cashier James R. Linn, wife and daughter went to Mt. Lake Park this afternoon. Mr. Linn will return Monday, but Mrs. Linn and daughter will remain there for a week or two.

Thos. W. Fleming and daughter, Miss Jean, went to Mt. Lake Park this afternoon. Mrs. Fleming and son, Allison, went there yesterday, driving through. They will tarry there for some time.

Mrs. T. W. Fleming and son, Mr. S. Allison Fleming, left here Thursday for Mt. Lake Park. They drove through the country and will be joined at the Park by Miss Jean, who will go up on No. 46 to-day.

A. M. Jones, wife and two children, of Sistersville, are the guests of the Faust family on Locust avenue. Mr. Jones and family have been at Mt. Lake Park for the past two weeks, and stopped over on their way home.

Col. W. W. Scott arrived in the city last night from Washington, D. C., his headquarters, and called to see us this morning in company with his big brother, John S. The Colonel is looking as of yore and is in good spirits politically and otherwise.

Mr. and Mrs. William Stafford, of Belleville, Ohio, are visiting Mrs. Wm. Ridgely, of the Fifth ward. Mr. Stafford is a brother of Mrs. Ridgely. Until recently they had not seen each other for over thirty-five years. Mr. Stafford is so well pleased with Fairmont and the people that he thinks of locating here.

FISH LIKE A LEAF.

Remarkable Mimicry In Order to Avoid Capture.

An apparent instance of mimicry of a most remarkable type is recorded by Dr. A. Willey, in Spolia Zeylanica. The attention of Dr. Willey had been directed to the striking resemblance presented by one of the Cingalese fishes commonly known as sea-bats to a decayed leaf, and soon after he had the opportunity of verifying this statement for himself. "I was walking," he writes, "along the reef in the company of a fisherman carrying a net, when he espied a small fish, which he attempted to catch for me. I could not see what it was at first, but noticed that the man failed to bag it after several ineffectual attempts. The fish did not swim far away from the spot, but dodged about, baffling its pursuer. I approached and seized the net, whereupon I saw a yellow jack-leaf gently and inertly sinking to the bottom. This is no unusual sight, and I was about to turn away when the leaf righted itself and darted off. Efforts were redoubled and the fish secured and sketched. When a fish has a leaf-shaped and leaf-colored body, and in addition the unique habit of toppling over and feigning death when pursued, it seems natural to conclude, that it is a genuine example of protective resemblance."

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BEFORE AND AFTER.



This was the attitude of Germany and England toward Russia a few months ago.



But now that Japan has demonstrated a thing or two it is different. —Minneapolis Journal.

GIRL

WHO PLAYED BOY WILL BE SENT TO REFORM SCHOOL—AN INTERESTING EPISODE.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Aug. 5.—Ada, alias Clifford Parker, the twelve-year-old "boy" whom the police discovered yesterday to be a girl, and who will be sent to the reform school at Trenton, was still in boy's clothing to-day, and, there being boys in the room, a reporter had to inquire who was Ada. "I am Miss Parker," said a full, deep voice, and a well developed youngster, with a shock of light hair and an abundance of freckles stepped boldly forth.

"I won't wear boy's clothes any more," she sobbed, "if they will only let me go to daddy. Yesterday was my birthday, and it's tough to be in jail on your birthday, when you haven't done anything wrong. I never stole anything. Sometimes I have been tempted, but my mother always told me it was wrong, and daddy is good to me and reads the Bible to me."

"We tramped to this city from Newark, daddy and me," she said, "three years ago. Mother died just before. In a field daddy saw girls dressed in overalls. He asked their father why they wore such things, and the man said it was to save money. So daddy put me in overalls. I liked it. I cut my hair off short and got chummy with the boys. They elected me catcher of their base ball nine, and I could beat them playing marbles."

"Nobody would have found out I was a girl if it hadn't been for these policemen. The fellows often wondered why I wouldn't smoke cigarettes or chew tobacco, but I was too much of a girl for that. Occasionally I went to see my aunt in Newark, and then I wore dresses, but the fellows never saw me with them on. I took care of that. I was the leader of that band. I was a better man than any of 'em. That was why they wanted me to rob the store for them."

TO STRENGTHEN REPUBLICAN VOTE

GOVERNOR ODELL HOPES TO CUT DOWN TAMMANY PLURALITY IN NEW YORK CITY.

NEW YORK, Aug. 6.—Besides attending to his duties as governor of New York State, preparing the details for the campaign as chairman of the Republican State committee and moving his family from Albany to Monmouth Beach, N. J., Governor Odell is building a large addition to his home in Newburg, and remodeling and refurnishing it entirely, so that it will be ready for use when he returns to private life on January 1.

While the governor is to make Newburg his official home, he has confided to several of his friends his intention of making this city his abiding place during the fall and winter months at least, and it is understood that he will come to New York with his family soon after he lays aside his official duties at Albany on January 1.

One reason why the governor is devoting so much of his attention to the campaign in Manhattan and the Bronx this fall is due to the fact that he desires to strengthen the Republican machine here. He believes that if he can keep the Tammany vote in New York county this fall somewhere near the vote for Bryan in 1900 he will have justified entirely the means to get control of the local organization.

SNAP SHOTS

Only One Present.

Harmon Lemly was the only one to face His Honor this morning and was fined five dollars for drunkenness.

Fairview's New Hotel.

Messrs. Holbert & Spedden, the well known and popular contractors, have secured the contract for a new hotel building at Fairview. It will be a three-story, pressed brick structure, costing about \$15,000. T. N. Arnett is having the building erected.

Hotel Man After Him.

A hotel man of Parkersburg is after one of the prominent delegates from Fairmont to the Democratic convention. For some unaccountable reason, the aforementioned prominent delegate pulled the sheet off his bed and put it into his grip, instead of his night shirt, which he was expected to bring home with him. Democratic enthusiasm was at such a high pitch, we suppose the gentleman couldn't tell anything about the article he seized except that it was white.

G. A. R. Resolutions.

The committee appointed on resolutions to express appreciation of members of Meade Post G. A. R. and their families for the outing on the 20th of July at Traction Park, has carefully looked through the list of verbs, adverbs and adjectives by which they could in some way express their appreciation for courtesy extended by General Manager Smith Hood, of the Fairmont and Clarksburg Traction Company and has resolved to say this:

First, That our vocabulary is too limited to fully express our gratitude and appreciation for the pleasure of the outing, and that all present greatly enjoyed the day, and especially the item of free transportation to and from the Park.

Second, That the members of Meade Post and their families hereby say a big "thank you" for courtesies thus extended.

COMMITTEE.

STURGISS

WAS THE ORATOR AT CORNER STONE LAYING AT RANDOLPH'S COUNTY SEAT.

ELKINS, W. Va., Aug. 6.—The corner stone of the new Methodist Episcopal church was laid this afternoon. The exercises were in charge of the Masonic Grand Lodge of West Virginia. P. G. M. Strickler laid the stone. Hon. George C. Sturgiss, of Morgantown, was the orator. DeMolay Commandery No. 11, of Grafton, in handsome uniforms, acted as escort to the grand lodge. The church will cost about \$15,000.

A Gypsy Picnic.

A jolly crowd partook of a gypsy picnic last Thursday afternoon. They went down as far as Rivesville on the Pastime. A suitable spot was then selected outside of that city's limits, a camp fire built and a typical gypsy meal was cooked and eaten with much relish. The J. O. Watson brought the party back later in the evening. Those who enjoyed the pleasant outing were Misses Janie McKinney, Dell Sample, Mary Abbott, Ethel McElfresh and Mrs. Sidney Reynolds. They were chaperoned by Mr. Larney Lloyd.

You should attend the white goods sale at the Bon Ton.

FIRST WARD.

By Our Regular Correspondent.

Newton Chisler, assistant night watchman of Uniontown, Pa., who has been visiting W. H. Rager of this city for several days, has returned to his home.

Clarence Bailey, who has had a chair in the barber shop of Pat McKinney, on Market street, resigned his position the other day to accept a position with a civil engineering corps in the city.

Terrance Harr and sister, of Tunnetton, are at present the guests of relatives and friends in the city, and having a pleasant time together.

Rev. S. F. Ross, pastor of the M. E. church of Caldwell, Ohio, is here visiting his son, Howard J. Ross, who is in the City Hospital, sick of typhoid fever, but is reported to be doing well.

Smouse Bros. and Eckles have just laid in another car load of "Gold Coin" flour for their special trade. They do not hesitate to buy in large quantities, because they also sell it in like manner, and so always endeavor to keep a stock on hand in advance of the demand made by their customers.

James Mussellman, assistant manager of the Commercial Hotel on Water street, has just returned from a trip to the country for rest and recuperation. Quite a change for the better is noted in his physical appearance in consequence of his rural outing.

The whale man, after a month's stay with us, has turned his course and towed his "finback" down stream, where the waters are deeper, and "suckers" more numerous. But Captain Anderson gave a genuine exhibition, and left no unpaid bills behind him.

We are glad to report in this connection that George H. Richardson has completed the stone and macadam work at the wharf, and perseveringly carried on by him all the while so very near the open jaws of the whale's mouth. We feel that we are now ready to do navigation business in a more becoming and business like manner as a growing and enterprising city.

The "Dog Days" have come again, and with them likewise a lull in the dogcatcher business, their captures growing fewer and farther between. This may be owing in part to the fact that many of the dogs have been tagged, while the rest have been shipped by their old or newly made owners into the country for safe keeping. They thus escape the policeman's noose, their owners, the tax imposed, and the city has peace for the time, while they are being held in waiting all the same for the coming winter's sport.

Morgantown Avenue.

The paving of Morgantown avenue has just been completed to the end of the first contract, extending to within about 500 feet of the cemetery gate. All who have passed over it have only words of praise and commendation of the improvement thus made to the entrance of our city. It will prove a lasting benefit to the public at large as well as a financial profit to all private citizens along the line. And now to complete the remaining 500 feet to the cemetery gate is as indispensable, and even more so than that already done. An effort is being made while all things are ready and the summer lasts, to raise the amount needed and do the work. It is a needed benefit to be shared in by the general public more than any other that could be proposed, especially for this side of the river and the up town streets. The Odd Fellows have expressed a willingness to do their share, and some of our more public spirited citizens have responded with contributions while still others have promised to do so. Let those who have property interests to be especially enhanced in value by it, as well as all who have the public welfare of our city at heart, respond at once to the appeal now made from the necessity of the case, and before the summer ends the work will be completed which will stand as a perpetual monument to the praise of our generosity bestowed. This being done, we may also assume with safety that those personally interested will complete the connecting link between the cemetery and paving on East Park avenue, thus giving us a loop for the finest pleasure driving to be found in our city, and we can have it now if we will.

Mr. Emory L. Layman, better known as "Banty" Layman, and Miss Lucy Payne, both of Tyrconnell station, Taylor county, in a frenzied freak of effervescent love, resolved to throw down the bars that long had separated their lives apart, and

COUPON FOR GUESSING CONTEST.

Editors West Virginian:

My guess is that the winning candidate for President will be _____ and that he will receive _____ votes.

As additional guesses in accordance with your offer, I give the following:

Second guess, _____ votes.

Third guess, _____ votes.

Fourth guess, _____ votes.

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M'GRAW CHAIRMAN

WEST VIRGINIA'S DEMOCRATIC BOSS WILL CONDUCT THE CAMPAIGN.

PARKERSBURG, W. Va., Aug. 6.—The Democratic State executive committee met here yesterday morning and organized permanently by the selection of Col. John T. McGraw as chairman, and Stuart H. Bowman, of Philippi, as secretary. A proposition was made by local parties to furnish six rooms in the Camden building, for headquarters free of charge, if headquarters are established here, but the matter of permanent headquarters was not determined.

John J. Cornwell, the nominee for governor left yesterday afternoon for his home.

It is understood that Mr. Cornwell will make Fairmont his headquarters during the campaign. It is centrally located and he has a brother living there.

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A Prominent Visitor.

A prominent gentleman from Japan was a Tavern guest this morning. Y. Watanabe, professor in the Tokio University is the man.

He left his native country in March, of this year, and has been making a tour of the United States. Mr. Watanabe left this afternoon for Chicago, and from there he will go to St. Louis. He expects to remain in this country until the last of the year.

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